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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Bentwich et al. Art Unit: 1635

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DETECTABLE GROUP OF NOVEL

VIRAL REGULATORY GENES

AND USES THEREOF

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

Filing Date:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2007 (the "Office Action"), and in accordance with the Rule of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith is a Petition for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee of \$120 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), which extends the deadline for filing a response to Monday, December 3, 2007

No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any additional fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above docket number.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin at page 2 of this response; and **Remarks** begin at page 3.